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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, External Research Staff

Department of State

SUBJECT:

ERS Report on "Research Activities and Foundation Programs in the Near East, South East and Africa"

- 1. This is a summary of comments received from various offices on subject report.
- 2. In general, the report was found to be useful. Table 6 was of special interest to our geographic researchers.
 - 3. One observer noted that annotations of the projects would be desirable, including a statement as to the scope and depth of each study.
 - 4. It was noted that the listings of individual research projects in Tables 1, 2 and much of 4 are probably of more interest for personnel recruitment purposes than to researchers.
 - 5. Another observer wrote: "Table 3 and part of Table 4 are of some intelligence value in providing a summary of private technical assistance activity in the area. Such summaries might profitably be combined into a single report, with personal projects totalled rather than listed by name. Our requirements would be satisfied by having such material available in the library for reference when needed."
 - 6. Table 5 is of interest to our training people. Table 6 is probably of value to the entire intelligence community and should be available in each intelligence agency's library.

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